



Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of **Kimberley Town Council** held on **Thursday 25th April 2024**, in the Committee Room, Parish Hall, Newdigate Street, Kimberley starting at 19.00.

Present: Cllr S Boneham Cllr S Cunney Cllr N Dewsbury
Cllr N Doherty - Chair Cllr J Dymond Cllr C Eyre
Cllr T Mason Cllr P Saunders Cllr T Rood - Vice Chair
County Cllr: Cllr P Owen
Borough Cllrs: Cllr C Carr and Cllr A Cooper
Council Officers: J Darbyshire - Town Clerk
Members of Public: One

TC/24/001 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr D Fewster, Cllr M Morris, Cllr N Oakden, Cllr I Wilson and Borough Cllr W Mee.

TC/24/002 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr S Boneham declared an interest in item TC/24/020 Planning Applications. Cllr T Rood declared an interest in item TC/24/014 Accounts for Payment.

TC/24/003 **Minutes of Full Council**

The minutes of the Full Council meeting Thursday 21st March 2024, having been circulated to all Councillors, were taken as read and noted. The meeting adopted the minutes as a true and accurate record and they were signed by the Chair.

TC/24/004 **Report from the Police**

The Police advised things have quietened down in Kimberley since the anti-social behaviour incidents at Easter.

TC/24/005 **Public Question Time**

None

The member of public left at 19.15.

TC/24/006 **Report from County Councillor**

Cllr P Owen reported on the following:-

- Ditch clearance work has been carried out along the A610 where it borders Goodwin Drive and Hayley Close. There have been a number of

cases of the road flooding when there have been heavy rains. The ditch is now clear so hopefully road flooding should be a thing of the past.

- Nottinghamshire County Council did not approve Sainsbury's proposed changes to the operation of the car park.
- Nottinghamshire County Council have recently installed a crossing point at Nine Corners along with the necessary dropped kerbs. This is to fulfil part of the Section 106 agreement with Fairgrove Homes.
- There is a provisional date for overnight road closure at Gilthill to enable carriageway works to be carried out. We will be notified when the date is confirmed.
- A Victoria Street resident's parking scheme has been included in this year's programme and will now hopefully progress.
- The Traffic Regulation Order for the top of Maws Lane has been included in this year's programme and will now hopefully progress. Cllr P Owen has asked if this can be done early on in the year as he has received a number of complaints.
- Cadent are likely to be carrying out the total gas main replacement over the coming summer and autumn that they should have done last year. Main Street will be closed for a number of weeks causing considerable disruption. County officers have been in discussions with Cadent and Cllr P Owen has made a number of comments. Awaiting confirmation of the project and date.
- The proposed crossing point at Gilthill has made the reserve list of projects for this coming year but there is still more work to be done with the utility companies.

TC/24/007

Reports from Borough Councillors

Cllr C Carr reported on the following:-

- Residents have pointed out a wall on Roxton Court that is in bad condition. Nottinghamshire County Council Highways Manager is going to look into whose responsibility it is.
- The patch of grass on Swingate being used for parking still hasn't got any barriers or bollards to stop this happening. Checking to see when these will be reinstalled.
- Leaflets have been delivered to residents at the Brewery site asking for feedback on issues. So far 48 responses have been received. The residents of five properties will have to move out whilst firewalls are put in as it has come to light they had not been done previously.
- A review has been carried out on the effect the new parking charges is having on Victoria Street car park. More information to follow.
- Funding needs to be secured for new sporting provisions in the north of the Borough then a site will need to be found.
- A sports bursary scheme should be going to Cabinet in June or July.

Cllr A Cooper reported on the following:-

- The tree on the new pedestrian crossing at Nine Corners is going to be removed.
- Broxtowe Borough Council are thinking of reserving two or three spaces at Victoria Street car park for free parking for 30 minutes.
- Footfall in Kimberley has drastically reduced since the introduction of parking charges. Request was made to chase up the parking issues. There is an Extraordinary meeting scheduled for Thursday 23rd May to discuss car parking. Kimberley Town Council will also send a response to the letter from Ruth Hyde, the County and Borough Councillors to be copied in.

Cllr W Mee circulated a report prior to the meeting:-

- The issue with the phones at Broxtowe Borough Council has been discussed and hopefully some issues resolved.
- So far no response has been received from Nottinghamshire County Council about the on-demand bus service, forcing Cllr W Mee to go to the press.
- Still in conversation about the residents' petition in respect of Victoria Street car park.
- Cllr M Radulovic has had a meeting with Fairgrove about issues on the Brewery site.
- Pushing for more meetings in respect of the north Broxtowe Leisure Working Group.
- There is frequent contact with Enforcement over the Brewery site and continued discussions with residents.
- Broxtowe Community Projects will be starting community meals and activities on Monday 13th May 2024.

TC/24/008 **Levelling Up Fund Update**

An update on the Levelling Up Fund progress was circulated prior to the meeting. The site for the industrial units has still not been decided. A new pavilion is to be built on the Stag Football Ground. Expressions of interest have been sent out to potential builders for the new Hub and this should go out to tender in July. We are still pressing to get funding for the Cricket Club. The portable office building is being delivered at the end of May, with the intention of moving in mid July.

Cllr P Owen left at 20.15.

TC/24/009 **Committee Updates**

Updates were given on the Events meeting Thursday 4th April 2024 and Estates and Environment meeting Thursday 11th April 2024.

D-Day - Thursday 6th June 2024 - Proclamation 08.00, Beacon Lighting start at 20.30, Beacon lit at 21.15.

Picnic in the Park - Saturday 8th June 2024 11.00 – 16.00.

There was a request for volunteers for these and all future events.

- TC/24/010 **Mayor of Kimberley Proposal**
Kimberley Town Council, being entitled under Section 245(6) of the Local Government Act 1972, **resolves** that under the same section a) the titles Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor replace those of Chair and Vice Chair and b) the title Annual Town meeting replaces Annual Parish meeting. These changes to take effect at the Annual meeting of the Full Council on Thursday 30th May 2024.
- TC/24/011 **Removal of Kimberley Proposal Role**
This item was withdrawn.
- TC/24/012 **Kimberley Miners Recreation Ground Trust Overview**
A primer covering the Kimberley Miners Recreation Ground Trust and its relationship with Kimberley Town Council was circulated prior to meeting. The bank account has now been set up and initial meetings have now been held with all the Clubs on the site.
- TC/24/013 **Month End Finance Reports**
Income and Expenditure Report, Balance Sheet and Actual payments for March 2024 were circulated prior to the meeting. It was noted that last years spend came in under budget. Thanks were given to the RFO for her hard work over the past year.
- TC/24/014 **Accounts for Payment**
Circulated with the agenda papers for this meeting was a list of accounts received since the last meeting of Kimberley Town Council. This list was received, noted and approved by the meeting and signed by the Chair.
- TC/24/015 **Nat West Bank**
The Nat West dormant account monies of £76,635.92 were transferred to the Co-op Bank on 4th April 2024.
- TC/24/016 **Chapel Fees**
It was **resolved** to accept the proposal from the Finance committee for Chapel fees on all new bookings for weddings and naming ceremonies to be £495 plus VAT. Dressing costs to remain at £75 plus VAT. Funerals to remain at £160 out of the scope of VAT.
- TC/24/017 **Grant Applications**
This item was addressed earlier on in the meeting.
It was **resolved** to award a £3000 grant to Kimberley Miners Welfare FC. Section 137. Kimberley Miners Welfare FC will need to submit a report and proof of spend within 12 months of receiving the grant.
Kimberley Town Council to investigate if the monies can be reimbursed from the Levelling Up Fund.

TC/24/018

Policies and Procedures

It was **resolved** to approve and adopt the following policies and procedures:
Safeguarding Adults at Risk Policy, Safeguarding Children Policy.

It was **resolved** the following existing Policies and Procedures will be reapproved:
Co-option Application Form, Environmental and Sustainability Policy, Flying of
Flags, General Privacy Policy, Health and Safety Policy, Press and Media Publicity
Policy, Privacy Notice - Staff, Councillors and Role Holders, Privacy Policy, Public
Participation Policy, Social Media and Advertising Policy, Training and
Development Policy.

All Policies will be reviewed annually.

TC/24/019

Standing Orders

It was **resolved** to approve and adopt the latest NALC edition of Standing Orders,
together with the Kimberley Town Council amendments.

TC/24/020

Planning Applications

Circulated with the agenda papers for this meeting was a list of planning
applications received since the last meeting of Kimberley Town Council.

A request was made to strongly object to the planning application for upvc
windows at the Chinese on James Street. The Broxtowe Borough Council
Councillors for Kimberley were asked to call the application for the planning
committee to consider if planning officers are minded to approve it. Kimberley
Town Council to write a letter of objection.

It was requested that letters of support are sent in respect of the proposed
extension on Kimberley Primary School.

TC/24/021

Dates of Next Meetings

Estates and Environment - Thursday 9th May 2024

Events - Thursday 16th May 2024

Finance - Thursday 23rd May 2024

Annual Council & Town - Thursday 30th May 2024

TC/24/022

Exclusion of Public and Press

RESOLVED that, under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the
public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of
business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt
information.

No Excluded Items.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked Councillors for their
contributions and closed the meeting at 20.56.